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SUBJECT: INCREASED PHYSICAL SECURITY FOR CONSULATE

REF: (A) STATE 274729 (NOTAL); (B) STATE 271528;

(C) BUKAVU A-14 (NOTAL); (D) KINSHASA A-37

1. PER INSTRUCTIONS REFS A AND B, POST HEREBY
TRANSMIT BEST COST ESTIMATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF
PROJECTS PROPOSED REF C, WITH A FEW NEW WRINKLES ADDED
TO FOLLOW UP ON REF D.

2. WE HAVE RECEIVED ESTIMATE ON FABRICATION AND INSTAL-
LATION OF METAL GRILLS AND DOORS FROM A CONTRACTOR
WHOSE WORK HAS PROVED SATISFACTORY IN THE PAST. WE
WILL ATTEMPT TO MATCH COST WITH EACH PROJECT AS
DESCRIBED REF C.

PROJECT 1. U.S.\$ 5.00

PROJECT 2. 15.00

PROJECT 3. 545.14

PROJECT 4. 1,389.65

PROJECT 5. 1,469.65 REMOTE-CONTROLLED

THROWBOLTS WOULD HAVE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

INSTALLATION COSTS SHOULD NOT EXCEED \$40.00, INCLUDED
IN COST ESTIMATES.

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PROJECT 6. 1,754.31 REMOTE-CONTROLLED THRO-

BOLTS WOULD HAVE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. PROJECTS 7 AND 8. PROJECTS 7 AND 8 ENVISIONED A RECEPTIONIST AND A GRILL BARRING ACCESS TO THE STAIRWAY, THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO PROJECTS BEING THAT NO. 7 FORESAW ENTRY VIA LIBRARY AND NO. 8 PROPOSED ENTRY FROM STREET. THE ONLY PLACE FOR RECEPTIONIST UNDER THIS ARRANGEMENT WOULD BE IN THE EXTREMELY CRAMPED AND INADEQUATE SPACE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STAIR (THERE IS NOT EVEN ROOM FOR A DESK). WHILE THIS IS THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE (ESTIMATED COST: \$730.13) IT WOULD NOT SATISFACTORILY SOLVE THE CONSULATE'S PROBLEM. WE THEREFORE PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING CHANGES AS THE BEST SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF LIMITING ACCESS AND SCREENING VISITORS.

NEW PROJECT: DEMOLITION OF THE OUTSIDE HALL WALL ACROSS FROM DOOR LEADING TO THE LIBRARY AND THE ADDITION OF ATLEAST AN 8 X 10 ROOM TO PROVIDE FOR RECEPTION AREA. DOOR TO LIBRARY COULD THEN BE A DOUBLE DOOR WITH BOTH GRILL DOORS (OPENING INTO HALL) AND METAL DOORS (OPENING INTO LIBRARY). THE GRILL BLOCKING HALL WOULD THEN BE LOCATED IN AREA BETWEEN DOOR TO LIBRARY AND STREET DOOR. COST FOR DOUBLE DOOR TO LIBRARY WOULD BE \$450.92; COST OF GRILL ACROSS HALLWAY ON GROUND FLOOR WOULD BE \$279.21. COST OF ADDITION WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$2,000. REMOTE-CONTROLLED THROWBOLTS ON GRILL DOORS TO BOTH STREET AND LIBRARY TO BE CONTROLLED BY RECEPTIONIST. THUS THE LIBRARY CAN STILL BE USED AS A SUPPLEMENTARY WAITING ROOM FOR LANGUAGE CLASSES (HELD ON THIRD FLOOR OF CONSULATE/CULTURAL CENTER BUILDING). LOCKS AND REMOTE-CONTROLLED THROWBOLTS WOULD BE PROVIDED BY THE RTC ADDIS. TOTAL ESTIMATE COST WILL BE \$2,730.13. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS PROJECT MAY INVOLVE FBO CONCURRENCE ON BUILDING AND PERSONNEL CONCURRENCE ON NEW POSITION, BUT FEEL IT IS INTEGRAL PART OF CONSULATE'S PROPOSAL TO IMPROVE SECURITY.

PROJECT 9.	3,275.21
PROJECT 10.	4,119.78
PROJECT 11.	4,199.78
PROJECT 12.	4,484.44

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3. NOT MENTIONED IN REF C, BUT OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE IS THE ADDITION OF GRILLED DOOR WITH CYPHER LOCK TO BAR ACCESS TO STRONG ROOM WHEN STRONG ROOM DOOR IS OPEN. THIS SHOULD BE AMONG TOP PRIORITIES AS THERE IS CONTINUING PROBLEM WITH VISITORS AND LOCAL EMPLOYEES WANDERING BY OPEN STRONG ROOM ON WAY TO VICE-CONSUL'S OFFICE. NEITHER CAN THE SECRETARY BE EXPECTED TO

PROVIDE CONTROL, AS THAT IS ONLY A PART-TIME POSITION. ACTUAL COST OF DOOR AND INSTALLATION, NOT COUNTING LOCKING MECHANISM IS \$175.37. THE RECOMMENDATION 9 IN REF D PROPOSED CYPHER LOCK TO LIMIT ACCESS TO THE CONSULATE'S RESTRICTED AREA. THIS IS NOT FEASIBLE AS VICE-CONSUL MUST REMAIN ACCESSIBLE TO LOCAL EMPLOYEES AND DURING PERIOD WHEN NO SECRETARY ON DUTY WOULD SPEND ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF TIME ANSWERING DOOR FOR STEADY STREAM OF EMPLOYEES. IT WOULD SEEM MORE SENSIBLE TO BLOCK OFF SAFE-ROOM WITH INWARD-SWINGING GRILL DOOR. UNDER NORMAL BUSINESS CONDITIONS, ALL THE DOORS BETWEEN THE STREET AND THE SAFE ROOM ARE CURRENTLY OPEN.

4. THE CONTRACTOR WHO SUBMITTED BIDS FOR THE PROTECTIVE METAL-WORK ESTIMATED THE WORK, IF DONE IN ITS ENTIRETY, WOULD REQUIRE THREE MONTHS.

5. WE URGE DEPARTMENT FULLY FUND CHANGES PROPOSED PROJECT 12 AND PARA 3. A PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE, COMPUTED FROM BIDS, IS \$4,659.81. PAST EXPERIENCE INDICATES A MARGIN OF 20 PERCENT SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE AMOUNT TO COVER COST INCREASES; THUS WE REQUEST FUNDING OF \$5,591.77, OF WHICH APPROXIMATELY \$2,000 IS FOR BUILDING COSTS TO BE INCURRED IN CONSTRUCTING RECEPTION AREA. WE URGE RAPID CONCURRENCE ON THIS AMOUNT BY ALL INTERESTED BUREAUS. IF ONLY PARTIAL FUNDING IS PROVIDED, THE FIGURES MENTIONED PARA 2 SHOULD BE INCREASED BY 20 PERCENT TO PROVIDE MARGIN FOR COST INCREASES. WITH THESE ADDITIONS, THE CONSULATE WILL BE MORE SECURE AND EFFICIENT.

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